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A salute to Railton's veteran volunteer

Tony "Tige" Lowe

August 21, 1954 - December 14, 2024

Tige was volunteer site manager for Taste of the North West from 2010 through to 2024. His approach was generally to listen politely until asked to speak, then provide a compelling argument for what he thought needed to happen (he was always right) before sitting quietly through the rest of the meeting.

His role included mapping out the stall locations, ensuring that each stall had access to their power requirements, organising the large marquees that were used in the early years, organising the generators and ensuring that the event had access to water and rubbish bins among other things. He eventually added Deputy Dawg, a rather thankless volunteer role, despite King George V Park's permanent "dog free" signs.

The Taste of the North West Committee has a meal together at the end of their meetings and this provided an opportunity for Tige to spin a yarn or three about Railton and its characters. Having lived in Railton for most of his life, he had plenty of amusing anecdotes including the relationship between the eccentric hermit Norman Sykes and "those wretched young Lowes" (Tige and his older brothers) who lived nearby.

He loved to wander down the main street for his newspaper on

a Saturday morning and would chat with many people on the way there and back.

When parkrun started in Railton in 2017, we invited Tige to join the volunteer crew and he helped out on numerous occasions in one of the three marshal positions. He also volunteered for other organisations, including the Sheffield Men's Shed, Devonport Show and at the Henley on the Mersey event.

Tige's outstanding community service was to scouting where he earned recognition as a scout leader, district leader and beyond.

Many others in the community could add to his list of accomplishments as a volunteer and also in his working life.

Tony passed away on December 14, 2024, aged 70 and will be remembered fondly for his humorous tales, his problem solving and his quiet dedication to anything he took on.

- Catherine Stark



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Harp concert features renowned musician

Opportunities to play, learn and enjoy the harp will be on offer in Sheffield this month.

Organiser Kate Fraser said the sessions will cater for all levels, from complete beginners, students and adults as well as more seasoned players.

Free Try a Harp sessions will be held in the Town Hall from January 6-10. These are for any student aged 8-18 who is new to the harp and would like the opportunity to have a lesson with Kentish Harp Combo (KHC), run by harpist Kate Fraser. These sessions are by arrangement and parents should contact Kate on 0412 322 729 to arrange a time that is mutually convenient. There is availability to join KHC on an ongoing basis for some students.

KHC workshops will be held from January 13-16. These, also free of charge, are for existing KHC members as well as beginners. Some students from "Try a Harp" sessions may be able to attend these workshops.

Places are limited by the number of available harps. Students or adult beginners/learners with their own harp are welcome to join in these workshops.

Tutor Mon/Tue/Weds will be Kate Fraser and Tasmanian Harp Society guest tutor Andy Rigby will be the tutor for the Workshop on the Thursday that week.

Workshop participants will be taught tunes and invited to perform at the concert in the Sheffield Town Hall on January 19, along with harpists from the Tasmanian Harp Society.

A three-day weekend workshop will be held in the Town Hall from January 17-19 with the concert, run by The Tasmanian Harp Society, to be held in the afternoon.

The workshop tutor will again be Victorian Harpist and harp

maker, Andy Rigby. Andy is a well-known identity in the Australian Folk scene.

Multi-instrumentalist, Andy performs and teaches at leading festivals around Australia as well as running his own harp camp. Andy is one of Australia's leading designers, makers, players and teachers of the harp in its Celtic and Latin American Form. Don't miss an opportunity to see Andy perform.

The harp concert will be at 2pm on Sunday, January 19.

at the Sheffield Town Hall. It will feature Andy Rigby, guest musicians and the 2025 Sheffield Summer Harp Collective performance, including students from the KHC workshops.

The concert cost is \$20 adults, \$5 children with family tickets available. Bookings are preferred but tickets will be available at the door. <https://events.humanitix.com/sheffharpconcert2025>

More information about the workshop can be found on the Harp Society of Tasmania website (harpocietytasmania.org) or by contacting Kate Fraser on 0412 322 729.



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Show your blooms & bounty at festival

By Jennifer Stackhouse

This year's Sheffield FlowerFEST will be held during the first weekend of February at Sheffield Town Hall.

Organisers from Kentish Garden Club are urging all gardeners to enter the show with cut flowers, potted plants and home-grown fruit and vegetables from their garden.

A flower show is only successful if many people take part and display their plants and flowers to fill the Town Hall with colour and fragrance. While it is nice to take home a winner's certificate, ribbon or even a cash prize, being part of a flower show is about more than winning. It is a chance to celebrate a community event that brings joy to all.

Each year more than 600 people visit FlowerFEST to admire and be inspired by the floral displays. There's also music, plant stalls, garden items and a mega raffle.

Help and advice on offer

If you've never exhibited in a flower show before, don't worry. Club members are on hand to help you set up your exhibit. Have a look at the 'Show Program' on the Kentish Garden Club website (kentishgardenclub.com.au) or pick one up from Sheffield Post Office or De Couer in Main Street, Sheffield, to see the categories you can enter from dahlias, roses and other summer flower to flower arrangements and potted plants.

Categories include foliage, fruit and vegetables and a children's section.

Bring along your best entries to be part of the show on Friday, January 31, from 3-6pm. Make sure the entries are in good health and in peak condition. A good tip is to pick the entry the



evening before and plunge it into water, so it is well hydrated.

Individual blooms should be displayed in small glass bottles (such as a small apple cider bottle) but there are also entries in containers as well as categories for potted plants.

What you need to complete your entry (such as an exhibitor number, display bottles and stickers) is available at the Sheffield Town Hall on Friday, January 31, from 3-6pm or on Saturday, February 1, from 7.30-8.30am.

The show is open to the public from 10am-3pm on Saturday and Sunday. Entry to the show is \$4 (children under 16 free). Prizes are presented and the raffle is drawn at 2.30pm on Sunday afternoon.

Decorate your gate!

This year there's another way to be part of Sheffield FlowerFEST and you don't even need to leave home! The Kentish Garden Club is asking everyone in Sheffield to decorate their front gate or fence to beautify the town and get into the spirit of FlowerFEST.

As well as taking part, the best entry will receive \$100 (which includes a garden hamper sponsored by The Sheffield Shed and \$50 cash).

It's easy to enter – just decorate your gate or fence then register your entry on the Kentish Garden Club website, or phone 0408 389 320 or email kentishgardenclubevents@gmail.com

It is free to enter but you must live within the town boundaries to be eligible for a prize and be registered by 5pm Friday, January 31.

Sheffield FlowerFEST 2025

DECORATE YOUR GATE OR FENCE AND WIN!

Make Sheffield beautiful this February by decorating your front gate or fence for FlowerFEST 2025 and win \$100 in prizes!

It's free to register! Do it today!
See kentishgardenclub.com.au to download an entry form

Entries close January 31 at 5pm so register now!
Judging from 9am on Saturday, February 1

More information:
0408 389 320
Organised by
Kentish Garden Club

Discover Mural Fest 2025

The theme has been set for this year's International Mural Fest from November 2-8, 2025: **Amazing Discoveries.**

Artists from around the world will paint their interpretation of this theme and organisers are excited about the possibilities.

Kentish Arts, Commerce and Tourism president Sandy Brattstrom said the theme broadened the scope of the competition as it really could be about anything.

"It might be a scientific discovery, something from the insect world, archeological discoveries ... even personal stories can have an element of discovery," she said.

"Imaginations can run wild with this theme."

SHEFFIELD Flower FEST

2025

Saturday February 1
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ADMISSION: Adults \$4 (children under 16 free)

FlowerFEST

The Kentish Garden Club is excited to invite you to FlowerFEST 2025, our annual flower show that fills Sheffield Town Hall with blooms.

Enjoy plant and produce stalls, cut flowers, potted plants and fresh vegetable displays.



Kentish Garden Club

www.kentishgardenclub.com.au



Be neighbourly and help reduce loneliness

Relationships Australia and Healthy Tasmania are offering community grants of up to \$1500 to help reduce loneliness and create belonging through the Neighbours Every Day program. Neighbours Every Day is a year-round campaign with a dedicated day of action called Neighbour Day, celebrated on the last Sunday of March annually.

As the leading social connection campaign in Australia, Neighbours Every Day supports people to build respectful and sustainable relationships and reduce loneliness.

Community groups can apply for up to \$1500 to support neighbourly activities to create social connection and address loneliness in the community. This could include community barbeques, tea parties, bake sales, clothes swap, gardening days, share stations, picnics, street libraries and so much more!

Encourage other community groups in your area to get involved. To apply, visit tas.relationships.org.au/75-years/ or email project75@reltas.com.au

Applications close at 4pm on February 7, 2025.

This grant is funded by the Healthy Tasmania Fund through the Tasmanian Government.

In addition to the Neighbours Every Day Grants, Relationships Australia Tasmania is giving community groups the opportunity to win \$500.

We hope to engage community members to participate in a free interactive conversation about what a connected and respectful Tasmania means to your community.

The session will take no more than an hour and can be tailored to fit the needs of your group.

Relationships Australia Tasmania will provide a report back

to you summarising what your group tells us a connected and respectful Tasmania means to them. As a thank you for your participation, all community groups who engage in a brief conversation will be entered into the draw to win one of two \$500 gift cards!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

From a fall comes gratitude

I am a grateful resident at Tandara Lodge for the care and consideration that they provide for me.

On Wednesday 11th December, I had a fall in Main Street. I would like to sincerely thank all the wonderful people who assisted me whilst waiting for the paramedics to arrive. Especially Keiron and Hannah Hodson from Paper & Cup, Stephen Rand, the nurse who sat with me on the pavement as we waited, the gentleman who contacted a retired Doctor friend to check on me, and anyone else who came to my aid. Forgive me for not recalling all your names! I will never forget your kindness.

After a night at the Mersey Hospital, I returned to Tandara and was visited by some of those who had assisted me the day before to see how I was. I am so fortunate to live in such a caring community!

I hope that everyone has a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. Keep caring for one another.

Tony Hennekam

Tandara Lodge Sheffield

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To make an appointment please contact North West Community Legal Centre **6424 8720**.

SERVICES AUSTRALIA (CENTRELINK)
Visiting Sheffield (9:30-11 am) and Railton (12-12:30pm)
Wednesday 5th February.
Contact Kentish House to book specific appointment times alternatively, walk-ins are welcome.

KENTISH HOUSE
Kentish House will be closed from 12pm Tuesday 24th December 2024. Reopening Tuesday 14th January 2025.
For Emergency Relief during this time please contact Salvation Army 6208 1488

Please note all Kentish House events/programs are COVID Safe.
Please do not attend if you are feeling unwell, experiencing cold or flu-like symptoms.

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FRIDAY
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Messy activity please wear appropriate clothing/shoes

Historic club pads up for next innings

By Heather Eiszele

The Beulah Bushrangers Cricket Club is one of the few foundation members of the 1890s Kentish Cricket Association still operating – but its future is uncertain.

The Davey family has been associated with the club for more than 45 years and is determined the Bushrangers will survive. Club president Craig Davey plays alongside his son and grandson, continuing the family tradition.

“We’re a family-based club and we are a family, we’re a cricketing family. Loyalty is what keeps our club going,” he said.

Weekend commitments, shift work and the declining participation rates in cricket has meant the team had to forfeit a match due to lack of numbers recently. Craig posted a shout-out on Facebook and two new players have since joined the squad.

“We had two teams last year and we’ve only got one this year which we’re struggling to fill at times,” he said. “We need to have a bigger squad.”

Craig’s 12-year-old grandson James debuted for the club last month while son Chris is the Vice President and cousin Brendon coaches.

“It’s always been difficult for Beulah Cricket Club because there’s no population base,” Craig said. “We’re at Railton.”

In the 1930s it was an all Dawkins team – 10 brothers and their father. The Daveys moved into the district in the 1940s and were an integral part of the team into the 1950s until the club folded due to a lack of numbers.

“Beulah Cricket Club is part of my DNA,” said Craig.



Playing for 50 years and president for more than 40, he reformed the team in 1979 aged just 18 in honour of his uncle Charlie.

“He had a bat in his hand when he died. He was only 49. I spoke to him about reforming the old club and he reckoned it was a great idea and then when he died it inspired me further.”

Friends and family with plenty of cricket talent among them came together to make it happen.

When the Kentish Cricket Association folded after more than 100 years, the Bushrangers joined the Mersey Valley Cricket Association in 2010. Based at Railton Recreation Ground on Native Rock Road, training is held on Wednesdays from 6pm.

“We’ve got a predominantly young team at the moment so that’s a good thing,” Craig said.

For more information, please phone 0418 310 906.

Above: Family Affair - Craig, Chris and James Davey.



FRIENDS OF RAW

Friends of RAW network has been created in consultation with key industry stakeholders, to address an unmet need from frontline workers experiencing individuals sharing the harsh impact of situational stressors and mental health challenges.

Friends of RAW aims to help individuals navigate the day-to-day situations they find themselves in by equipping them with the skills to understand and set boundaries, have safe conversations and know how to **Recognise** the signs, **Ask** the questions and **Work** together.

The network is designed to empower individuals to bridge the gap and be a conduit to connecting people to RAW's support services.

Friends of RAW is aimed at front line works, business owners, live stock agents, cropping contractors, farmers, local community and groups who are impacted by or will come in contact with others who are directly affected by drought and need support to navigate their way through it.

To kick start involvement, we have an practical and tangible training session designed to up skill individuals to better navigate unexpected conversations and situations.

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Mayor's message: Aust Day awards open



By Kate Haberle

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very safe and healthy New Year. I am looking forward to working with councillors and staff to ensure that Kentish continues to thrive and grow. We have welcomed many tourists over the past couple of months and this will continue to increase during

the summer months. Please take care during the holiday period and take time to rejuvenate ready for a wonderful New Year.

I attended the Claude Road market and I must say the hall looked spectacular. Even the Ladies Room was decorated with a wall hanging and Christmas trees. Thank you to Kim and her hard-working team for organising a fabulous market where there were many treasures to buy, especially for Christmas.

The Beulah Hall Committee held their Community Christmas BBQ. It was well attended and everyone enjoyed the delicious food and warm, friendly hospitality. The weather was fantastic so we all had a great time.

Wilmot held their Community Christmas BBQ and this was again well attended by the local residents. The committee did a fantastic job organising the food and seating arrangements so we could all enjoy the Christmas Spirit of connection and the beautiful weather.

Thank you to Don Thwaites and the Lions Club for organising the Sheffield Christmas Parade. There were about 20 floats which were decorated superbly. There was a real sense of happiness and warmth as everyone enjoyed the parade and then the free sausage sizzle in the park.

The Sheffield Christmas Carols were held in the Town Hall and a very appreciative crowd attended to sing the traditional Christmas Carols. They were delighted with a visit from Santa who gave out some lollies and a lot of happy cheer.

Lower Barrington, Barrington and Railton held their Christmas parties which were very well attended also.

Recipients of the Bright Futures recognition program were announced for 2024. The Kentish Lions Club Breakfast Club volunteers have been recognised in the "Volunteer" category for going over and above and making exceptional contributions to ensure children and young people are known, safe, well and learning.

Congratulations to Jan Crosswell and her team of volunteers for making this wonderful commitment to the students at our school, both in Railton and Sheffield.

We were very excited to learn that on January 20, 2025, the ACT and West Australia cricket teams will be playing the Under 17 National Competition at the Sheffield Cricket Ground. This is a real credit to the team that look after the grounds as Sheffield was chosen over many other sporting venues. I encourage as many people as possible to attend and show their support of this event.

Submissions for the 2024-2025 Budget are being sought by Council. These will be considered in Council's Capital works program or the Operating Budget. The closing date for submissions is February 16, 2025.

Australia Day celebrations will be held in the Sheffield Town Hall on Sunday, January 26, 2025. Nominations are now being called for Australia Day Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year, and various Volunteer Awards. Guidelines and application forms are available from the Council's website or by contacting Darren Harris during business hours.

Thank you again to all our residents in Kentish for everything you do to make our municipality a wonderful place to live. I am very proud to be your Mayor and look forward to assisting you in any way I can in the coming year.

Free AEDs save lives

Applications are now open for the latest round of the Community Defibrillator Fund, with an additional 180 life-saving devices to be made available through the Tasmanian Government's \$500,000 investment.

The new fund will boost the availability of publicly accessible Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) across the State, recognising that early access to an AED during a cardiac arrest can save lives.

Health Minister Jacqui Petrusma said community groups, businesses and individuals can apply for a free AED, with applications encouraged from rural and regional areas.

"When someone has a cardiac arrest, their chance of survival declines by almost 10 per cent with each passing minute, and having access to an AED can mean the difference between life and death," she said.

After a device is placed in the community, it will be findable through the GoodSAM Responder phone app, which alerts nearby registered responders and provides the location of patients and the closest AED.

Applications close on January 31, 2025. For more information, visit www.health.tas.gov.au/hospitals/ambulance/registering-automated-external-defibrillator-aed

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COUNCIL'S 2025/2026 BUDGET – INVITATION TO MAKE A SUBMISSION

Each year, Council is faced with the task of assessing and prioritising the many worthwhile projects identified within the community. Council lists each project, assesses it against a common set of objective criteria and prioritises the project with a view to scheduling projects over Council's long-term planning period - currently ten years.

Submissions should include sufficient detail to enable Council to understand:

- The location and scope of the project
- The estimated cost of the project
- The perceived benefits of the project including any risk/safety issues, social/community impact and environmental impacts
- Any other relevant information to enable Council to make an informed decision.

If you would like to submit a project for consideration in Council's capital works program, or 2025/2026 operating budget, then please lodge your submission marked "2025/2026 Budget Submission" with Council by **Friday, 31 January, 2025**.

Submissions can be lodged by mail to: Team Leader Finance, Kentish Council, PO Box 63, SHEFFIELD TAS 7306 or by e-mail to: council@kentish.tas.gov.au.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

The Kentish Council Australia Day Awards recognise the achievements of community members and groups who have made a significant contribution to the community. As a member of our wonderful community, you are invited to attend and celebrate with us.

The awards will be held on **Sunday, January 26, 2025**, at the Sheffield Town Hall, 66 High Street, Sheffield, 8am to 10.30am. A complimentary breakfast and entertainment will be provided.

The Australia Day Ambassador is Mitch McPherson, suicide prevention leader and founder of SPEAK UP! Stay ChatTY and 2017 Tasmanian Young Australian of the Year, who will officiate with Mayor Kate Haberle and Deputy Mayor Penny Lane.

Please register your attendance via email darren.harris@kentish.tas.gov.au or by phoning the Council Office on 6491 0200.

COUNCIL MEETINGS 2025

Council has scheduled its monthly meetings for 2025 as follows:

January 21	July 15
February 18	August 19
March 18	September 16
April 15	October 21
May 20	November 18
June 17	December 16

Meetings will be held at the Kentish Council Office, 69 High Street, Sheffield commencing at 6:00pm.

The agenda is available for perusal on the website prior to each meeting.

It is recommended that members of the public wishing to attend a Council meeting RSVP prior to each meeting by calling Council on 6491 0200.

A member of the public may ask a question at the meeting during Public Question Time if time permits or a member of the public may give written notice to the General Manager at least seven (7) days before the meeting of a maximum of two (2) questions to be included in the meeting agenda. Questions can be lodged by mail to Kentish Council, PO Box 63, Sheffield TAS 7306, or by e-mail to: council@kentish.tas.gov.au or in person at 69 High Street, Sheffield.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION EVENING

Council will hold the following Community Information Evenings:

- Sheffield Meeting – **Thursday 27 February 2024**
- Railton Meeting – **Thursday 27 March 2024**
- Wilmot Meeting – **Tuesday 10 April 2024**
- Lower Barrington Meeting – **Thursday 1 May 2024**

All residents are invited to attend. RSVPs are essential via Council's website www.kentish.tas.gov.au or phone 6491 0200.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

Clean Up Australia Day is being held around the nation on **Sunday, 2nd March 2025** and Council encourages anyone interested in becoming involved to register now at <https://register.cleanup.org.au>.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Council office on **Tuesday, 21 January, 2025** commencing at 6:00pm.

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Looking for fun, free activities for the kids to do over the summer holidays? Check out our free Summer School Holiday program at both Devonport and Ulverstone Libraries, visit the Devonport Library Facebook page or view our Northwest Summer School Holiday activities collection on Eventbrite.

Mary-Lou Stephens Author Talk at Devonport Library

Saturday, February 1, 11am-12:30pm

Come along to this free event and hear Tasmanian author Mary-Lou Stephens speak about her latest novel *The Jam Factory*. Copies available for purchase on the night – chat to Mary-Lou Stephens as she signs them for you.

Book online through Eventbrite.

Book Chat at Sheffield Library

Join us for our monthly Book Chat at the Sheffield Library. There is no set reading required in this group, you are welcome to come along and share any book that you've enjoyed recently. Last Thursday of the month, 4-5pm from February 27.

Textile Crafting at Sheffield Library

Knitting, crochet, embroidery, cross stitch, weaving, patchwork or spinning! Whatever textile craft you enjoy, take the opportunity to work on those unfinished projects, start something new, or learn from others while enjoying a cup of tea or coffee. Book online through Eventbrite.

Second Thursday of the month, returning Thursday, February 13, 3:30-5pm

Sheffield Library opening hours

Regular open hours: Tuesday 3-6pm; Wednesday 9-11am and 3-6pm; Thursday 3-6pm. We are located at Sheffield School, 12 Henry Street. Call us on 6491 8233.

Book Review

Black Water Sister by Zen Cho

How would you react if your grandmother's ghost who has a vendetta against a local (maybe shady) businessman haunted you? Jess needs to stop her grandmother while looking for a job, and deciding whether to come out to her parents and join her girlfriend in Singapore.

The topics of family, navigating an unfamiliar cultural environment, respecting traditions, and the difficulties of being queer and not knowing how your family will respond, are all well addressed in this book. Jess is a sympathetic character, and you feel for all the drama she has to put up with while trying to help her grandmother pass on.

An enjoyable read about Malaysian mythology, finding oneself in a new environment, and the struggles immigrants face when they leave their home and return to the country they left.

By Charlotte

This book is available to borrow from Libraries Tasmania. Visit www.libraries.tas.gov.au or visit your local library.

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Details: weindorferfilmfestival.com.au/film_submission_guidelines/ Finalists will receive a Weindorfer Award, cash and accommodation, and the chance to have their film featured at the Weindorfer Festival.

Submissions must be received by Sunday, April 13, 2025, and the premiere is scheduled for Saturday, May 4, at Weindorfer Day at Wilmot.

This is your opportunity to craft a story that inspires, entertains, and captivates audiences – a reminder that even the smallest film can leave a significant impact!

For more information, please contact Sandra Rowden-Rich, Vice-President of the Weindorfer Association, 6459 0422, or email: info@weindorferfilmfestival.com.au

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Our community's vibrant spirit is visible, from bustling markets to sun-soaked outdoor adventures, creating an atmosphere ripe with potential for property owners and buyers alike.

Kentish's property market shows promising trends.

In late 2024, we saw a 5.2% increase in median house prices across the municipality.

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As we embrace 2025's opportunities, remember your property is part of our thriving Kentish community.

Whether you're looking to sell, buy, or simply curious about your property's potential, I'm here to help you navigate our unique market.

For a friendly chat about your property's potential, contact Corinne on 0488 611 968.

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SHEFFIELD MAKES FINALS



Our Mens 1st Grade side have now qualified to play Riverside at Riverside on January 12 in a Greater Northern Semi Final.

We have had recent wins against Launceston and Wynyard. Against Launceston Sam Robinson took 5 for 34 and Eli Connelly made 40 Runs.

In our game against Wynyard Tyson Crawford took 3 for 25 and Logan Heazlewood 3 for 32. In our last game before Christmas, we were narrowly defeated by Ulverstone. We batted first, scoring 7 for 177 with Alex King top scoring with 72. Ulverstone made 8 for 178 to pass us with one over to spare. Marc Simonds took 4 for 28.

Our 2nd Grade side remains on top of the ladder. We have had recent wins over Devonport (Jordan Marshall scored 54) and Ulverstone when Tyson Crawford took the excellent figures of 4 for 1. We were defeated by Latrobe with Dayne Suna making 64 not out.

Our Ladies side defeated Latrobe in Round 5 with Alice McCarthy taking 2 for 8, Georgia King 2 for 8 and Sam Cotton 2 for 13. In round 6 we were defeated by Wynyard with Michelle Allen top scoring with 44. In round 7, we defeated Devonport with Georgia Anderson 34 not out and Georgia King 27 not out.

Our under 16 side are currently second on the ladder. We were defeated by Latrobe with Xavier Duff top scoring with 25. We defeated Wynyard with Roland Skirving scoring 30 and Tyson Crawford 26. In our last game we played Burnie. We batted first and scored 6 for 140 with Tyson Crawford scoring 66 and Roland Skirving 28. We bowled Burnie out for 74 with Joe Sullivan causing the damage with 6 for 14.

Our under 12 sides have been performing well, with the following stand-out performances:

Under 12 Green

Ollie Campbell 3 for 6 and Milla Simonds 2 for 6 versus Latrobe.

Ollie Campbell 18 not out and 3 for 10, and Milla Simonds 2 for 12 against Spreyton.

Under 12 Gold

Travis Holmes 17 not out and Nash Barber 2 for 4 against Wynyard Cox Tigers.

Travis Holmes 23 not out v Wynyard Hills Tigers.

Santa attended our Christmas party on December 19 (*above right*) and the kids were delighted to scavenge for lollies.

On Monday, January 20, we are hosting an Australian Under 19 Championship game between Western Australia and ACT.



RAILTON BOWLS

We would like to wish everyone a great new year, please look after one another during this time.

We finished off the last week with all teams winning, well done, we have Thursday Pennant sitting third, Saturday Division One sitting fourth and Division Five sitting top of the ladder. Great effort everyone.

We have a small break but are back into it on January 9.

Our events are going to be full on when we get back:

Cement Australia Elite Fours - January 19

The Hub Sheffield Mixed Fours - February 2

Tommy Donohue Day - February 9

Mike Gaffney MLC Mixed Carnival - March 2

The Hub Veterans Day - March 11

I am so proud of all our bowlers for standing together and playing whenever they are required, we have all pulled together for the club.

We had *Time Out* come along to the club on December 21 and finish off our last pennant with fantastic music. The people who came along had a great time with the drawing of our Christmas raffle and even some door prizes thrown in. Thanks to the ladies who worked the kitchen and cooked some great meals for the attendees.

Raffle Winners were as follows:

1st: Victa Corvette Lawnmower donated by Stihl shop
Devonport: Judith Fisher

2nd: Grocery Hamper donated by members: Rosalie Howell

3rd: Christmas Hamper donated by T & R Howell: Carolyn

4th: Christmas Hamper donated by M. Harris: Vicki Gaffney

5th: Garden Sprayer donated by The Club: K. Cheek

Congratulations to everyone, and can't thank the sponsors enough, without sponsors of events or items, our club would struggle. If anyone can support them, it would be appreciated.

All the Best, Have a safe New Year.

See you all when we get on the green again.

- Noelene Purton



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The Glenleigh Shield will be contested at the club grounds in Spring Street, Sheffield, on Sunday February 2.

This is a competition between pony clubs from other areas.

Riders must be a member of PCA, not adult riders, to be able to compete. Both the horse and rider need to have attended at least one working rally day to be able to ride at this competition.

Entries are through nominate.com.au and must be in by January 31. Any queries to Jean 0408 122 793 or jeantrel@bigpond.net.au

Kentish Pony & Hack Club usually holds rallies every two weeks and welcomes any new members, young or old. If interested, please get in touch with the above.

Aims of the Pony Club:

- To encourage young people to ride and to learn all kinds of sport connected with horses and riding.
- To provide instruction in riding & horsemastership and to instil in members the proper care of their animals.
- To promote the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship, and loyalty. Thereby cultivating strength of character & self-discipline in an environment free from harassment & discrimination.
- The achievement of these objectives, together with sound horsemastership and riding skills, is what pony club is all about.

Happy members mean we are fulfilling our aims.



SHEFFIELD GOLF

So the New Year has arrived and we want to wish you all a Safe & Happy 2025, plus some good golf.

24/11 Mixed Foursome 2nd Rd winners for 18 holes are, Denise Morgan and Glen Connors 64 nett from Rowan Sherriff and Helen Clarke 65 nett on a countback from Winston and Geneen Duff 65 nett

Mixed Foursome Champions are:-

Gross winners Noel Meyers and Lu Proud with 234 from Tony Wootton and Susie Coombs 253

Nett winners Rowan Sherriff and Helen Clarke 202 from Glen Connors and Denise Morgan 202.5 on a countback from Noel Meyers and Lu Proud 202.5. Such close scores, well done to all.

The Ladies held their annual Invitation Day and were thrilled to have 54 in the field. Sheffield have a fabulous reputation, not necessarily for the golf but the massive spread put on after the game.

Monthly Medal Winners

Members: Sponsored by IGA Everyday Sheffield winner was Ben Corbett with 65 nett from Malcolm Dunn 67 nett

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SHEFFIELD GOLF

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Vets: Sponsored by Sheffield Tyre & Mechanical was won by Greg Collis with 68 nett on a countback from Owen von Stieglitz 68 nett

Ladies Sponsored IGA Everyday Sheffield was won by Janice Milner with 71 nett from Helen Lloyd-Jones 76 nett on a countback from Lu Proud 76 nett

Once again a huge thank you to our Monthly Medal Sponsors.

Members:

23/11 Stableford was won by Wade Rockliff with 42 pts from John Hope with 40 pts

30/11 4BBB winners were Bob Coleman and Owen Von Stieglitz with 46 pts from Lu Proud and Allan Duncan 44 pts

14/12 Memorial Day Stableford, a special day to remember our past golfers. The winner was Brett Coombs with 38 pts from Leigh Tuson 37 pts on a countback from Stephen Hope 37 pts on a countback from David Jago 37 pts and on a countback from Roland Proud

Vets:

26/11 Pinehurst Foursome won by Mike Haberle and Doug Callander with 64.625 nett from Rowan Sherriff and Lyle Thomas with 66.25 nett

5/12 The Tuesday Monthly Medal was postponed due to a downpour so a Stableford was played on Thursday with Peter Orchard winning with 40 pts from Helen Lloyd-Jones 34 pts.

Ladies:

25/11 Ladies Invitation Day Div 1 winners were Jenny Hatton and Wendy Cuthbertson from Exeter with 70.5 nett on a countback from Janette Mossop and Kendra Johnson from Penguin with 71 nett.

Div 2 winners were Helen Clarke and Denise Morgan with 71.625 from Sue Young and Jan Sadler with 75.25 nett

Upcoming events

Vets Open Tournament - January 9

RSL Ambrose 4 - January 25

Happy Golfing. Sheffield Golf Club 0418 199 873.

Green Fees (per day): Adults \$20.; Juniors \$5.

RAILTON PARKRUN HIGHLIGHTS



On December 7, Lisa Ireland (*left*) participated in her 200th parkrun as a volunteer, and the following week Bronwyn Kent (*below*) reached a milestone of volunteering in her 100th event. Both ladies have an additional role as parkrun directors. Thanks to Lisa and

Bron for their commitment and ongoing support.

At Railton, we welcome and encourage a wonderful cohort of junior participants. They regularly put their hands up to volunteer and are fully supported each and every week to have a positive experience.

One of our junior runners, Reagan Braid, also reached a wonderful milestone of 100 parkruns on December 14.

As we all know this worldwide weekly event would not be possible without the support of the many volunteers. We are fortunate to have wonderful regulars who share the responsibility of ensuring the event runs smoothly every week.

It is great to see that on occasions, park runners who are visiting from other regions in Tasmania, the mainland and overseas also nominate for a volunteer role.

In just a few weeks, we have welcomed visiting park runners from London, Geelong, Newcastle, Queensland, Perth WA, Portland Vic, Sydney, Hobart, Burnie, Ulverstone, Port Sorell, England, East Devonport, Mildura, Horsham, Launceston, and Geeveston!

On November 23, the existing parkrun record of 16.15 minutes



Reagan Braid is congratulated by another tireless volunteer, Desi Binns, after completing her 100th parkrun event.

was broken by Jack Salcedo, coming in at 15.47 minutes. What an achievement! Congratulations Jack.

Gavin Gleeson completed his 150th parkrun on the same day.

A reminder that parkrun is a free, community event where you can walk, jog or run in an idyllic bush setting.

An open invitation is extended to come along to the Railton event. Park runners and their 'bark runners' (dogs on leashes) meet every Saturday morning at 8:50am at the Syke's Sanctuary entrance on Kimberely Road for a safety briefing.

For anyone new to the Railton Course, the park run Director will provide you with an overview of the course and reinforce some vital safety considerations.

Congratulations to these amazing members of the Railton parkrun Family.

Leonie
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Liberal Member for Montgomery

Happy New Year to you!

My Ulverstone office will reopen
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CLAUDE ROAD GARAGE SALE

Following the success of our 2024 Community Garage Sales we have decided to hold another one on Saturday, February 15, but it will be a little different. For those wanting to sell the treasures they no longer need, there will be tables outside. As always, payment is by donation only.

Inside the hall, tables will be set up with free stuff only. Some people want to have a clean-out but can't make it to the Hub during opening hours or simply don't want to overload them when they are already inundated.

We will be opening the hall beforehand – or people can leave stuff at the back of the hall – in the week prior to the garage sale (no furniture or large appliances please).

We will set it out and offer it for free to the general public, then either take what is left over to a facility like the Hub or take it to the tip. As with our garage sale last February, we will make a donation to the Hub to cover any loss of income our event may have caused.

Mark your calendars – this might be the perfect opportunity to downsize following the holiday season.

And of course the kitchen will be open for some delicious treats to enjoy while you browse or take home for later.

REDWATER CREEK STEAM & HERITAGE CENTRE

The Krauss Steam Train will be running over the New Year break until Sunday, January 5. Come for a ride!

Miniature Train will also be running for as many days as we can get a crew and weather permitting.

SteamFest 2025 is just around the corner, and we again need many volunteers to come forward and offer a few hours of their time to ensure the success of this great community event.

Please contact Jill Ridgway on 0448 631 922.

HUB REPORT

Thank you for supporting us in 2024, we had many visitors tell us what a great shop we had when they left.

Recent donations:

- Kentish Axeman's Club \$1000.
- ACCESS 2 Health Services \$2000.
- Railton Skate Park Revitalization Project \$700.
- Three Rivers Equine Endurance Riders \$1000.

We look forward to catching up with everyone when we open Monday, January 6. Our HUB hours will remain the same Monday to Friday 10am-3pm

- *The Committee*



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Words of God

-Tablets of Bahá'u'lláh

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KENTISH MEN'S SHED

This is indeed the season when things get wrapped up. We farewell good ole '24 with, I suspect, very little regret and prepare, with aspirations, for a bonny new year.

November at the Mens Shed was a time for clearing the decks of old projects and the beginnings of new ones.

One of these is the work we have undertaken on Redwater's lovely 120-year-old workmens rail carriage which is in remarkably good condition but for rotted floorboards and panelling which is luckily confined to a small area.

Our Sawyer friend Glen Bakes is assisting on matching the required timbers and we hope to commence work early in the coming year.

Our favourite Founding member Mike Taylor is deeply engrossed in drawing plans for Dorothy's new home. Dorothy is, of course, our septagenarian Cropmaster which is being lovingly restored by Andy Walsh. Her new home will be alongside Bannon's Forge and "on show" for visitors to admire.

A highlight for our members this wrap up month was a visit to the Dulverton organic waste plant and the Spreyton Recycling Centre. A most interesting and informative morning hosted by Sommer Metske, Cradle Coast Waste Services Officer.

It only remains for the Kentish Community Men's Shed to wish everyone a happy and healthy 2025! The Shed is open 9am-1pm Thursdays and Saturdays.

For information, please call Terry on 0429 122 520.

We cannot fail to mark the recent passing of of our very good friend Tiger Lowe of Railton.

A thorough gentleman, Tiger was a leading light in his many contributions to our district and his passing is a loss to us all. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family.

Vale Tiger.

KENTISH PROBUS CLUB

The next meeting of the Kentish Probus Club will be 10am Tuesday, January 14, at the Sheffield Bowls Club. The Guest Speaker is Mike Gaffney.

Outing this month is a Mystery Bus Trip on January 21.

Visitors are always welcome. For further information, please contact Annelise on 6496 1220.

SHEFFIELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

Our Christmas dinner was on Monday, December 2. Our next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting on Monday, February 3, at 7pm.

All positions will be declared vacant and we look forward to some new blood on the committee.

The club BBQ is progressing steadily and thank you to Chris Fitzmaurice, who operated Steve's little digger and to Taztanks for the use of the laser level and tipper truck. The equipment was very much appreciated.

On behalf of our committee, I would like to wish everyone a prosperous New Year in 2025.

Lest We Forget

- *George MacDonald, President*

COMMUNITY NOTES



Kentish Garden Club

More than 50 garden club members and friends gathered for a Christmas lunch at

Claude Road Hall on December 15 (*right*). The date is chosen to allow members to enjoy the fabulous Christmas decorations in the Hall. Festive tablecloths, poinsettias, a Christmas soundtrack, champagne, and delicious home-cooked food, added to the celebrations of what was a busy but very successful year for the Club.

Raffle winners

Kentish Garden Club was offered the chance to raffle two beautiful bird and flower paintings by local artist Nita Pountney. Slaters Store also donated a \$50 gift voucher to the raffle to make three prizes.

The raffle, which was launched at GardenFEST, was drawn at the Christmas Party and raised \$700. The winners came from Port Sorrell, Deloraine and Spreyton.



Next meeting and garden visits

The next meeting is Thursday, January 9, 2024 at 7.30pm at the Bible Chapel, 45 High Street, Sheffield. Guest speakers are Paul and Carolyn Robinson and other club members, who will discuss how to enter a flower show.

The meeting is preceded by a visit to a Sheffield garden. All welcome. For more information, please call Jennifer Stackhouse (KGC President) on 0488 047 011.

WORKING ART SPACE SHEFFIELD

Sheffield Art Gallery – 6 Pioneer Crescent, Sheffield

Chasing the Light.

The Gallery will be exhibiting the works of Evelyn Antonysen during January.

This exhibition will show works in several media using various techniques to portray the wonderfully varied Tasmanian atmosphere.

Opening hours: 10am-3pm daily.

Working Art Space – 4-6 Albert Street, Sheffield

Printing classes: Every Tuesday between 10.30am-2.30pm.

Minimal cost of \$3.00 per person to cover inks and paper.

Contact Fay on 0400 491 272 or email faylilly@hotmail.com

Botanical Drawing: Saturdays from 1-3.30pm

If you would like to take part, please contact Colette Binder on 0439 426 665 for more information.

Pottery: Wednesdays from 10am. \$20 membership and \$3.00 a week to attend either or both days.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, please feel free to pop by our Albert Street Gallery to view our pottery and other art displays.

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KENTISH LIONS



The Kentish Lions Club extends their thanks to everyone who helped to make the Sheffield Christmas Parade a big success. We were very pleased to see all the entries in the parade and the big crowds, especially the many children who were keen to see Santa and grab some fairy floss.

There was a happy and very Christmassy feeling in the park after the parade, where Lions served almost 300 hamburgers and 400 sausages to a hungry crowd.

Thanks to Kentish Council for sponsorship and assistance. The biggest thanks of all goes to the Kentish SES for their management of roads and traffic during the parade. This is a big responsibility and the rules get tougher every year. So please thank your local SES members when you next see them. Without the SES we could not run the parade.

HOLIDAY CLOSURE INFO FOR KENTISH SERVICES

Kentish House: Reopening on Tuesday, January 14.

Rural Health Kentish: Reopening on Monday, January 6.

Sheffield Medical Centre:

Reopening Wednesday, January 1.

Kentish Regional Clinic: Reopening Monday, January 13.

Lower Barrington Community Hall:

Fitness Classes resumes on Tuesday, January 7.

Social Ladies Badminton resumes on Wednesday, February 5.



PIZZA CONNECTION

Next Men's Pizza Night

6.30pm Friday, February 7, 2025

The organising group wishes everyone a Blessed time until we meet again. Take a walk down memory lane or be encouraged again from previous nights. Logging in to: <https://www.facebook.com/SheffieldPizzaConnection/> Comment on those that helped you. Like this comment.

I have never heard "it is finished" translated like that, but it's true, our debt is truly paid in full, and when you think about it, that's exactly what it means. Thank you Peter for that; I quite often kick myself for things I've said or done, but I'm totally forgiven. We seem to need to be continually reminded of that.

Our last night was combined with the ladies, so a look back to 2018, Susie Whaley speaking on November 23, 2018.

STEAMFEST 2025

This year's SteamFest over the long weekend from March 8-10 will feature one of the largest collection of Steam Rollers in Tasmania with rollers coming from all over the state.

This iconic three-day event attracts up to 7000 people to Sheffield to enjoy 7ha of grounds covered with exhibits, stalls, fun park rides, horse riding displays and cattle handling exhibitions. And, of course, train rides!

Volunteers are needed to help produce this fabulous event, from ticket sellers to railway crossing guards. It takes up to 200 volunteers to ensure the event runs successfully. Please consider how much time you can give as any amount is helpful. For information, please contact Jill Ridgway on 0448 631 922.



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COMMUNITY NOTES

KENTISH SCOUTS: HIGHS & LOWS

Kentish Scout Group finished the year with pride and a huge sense of achievement from the children, leaders and committee members.

We had Cubs and Scouts running successfully in 2024 due to the hard work of the only two leaders that we have, doing double the work to run both sections.

The last term included Cubs and Scouts reinvigorating the garden space next to the fruit and veg shop, fire pit cooking, Garden Fest, Claude Road Market stall, Christmas Parade and taking part in an abseiling and rock climbing day which resulted in huge personal growth and confidence among those who participated.

Earlier this year, we had an extremely generous donation resulting in a purchase that we are very excited about. Stay tuned for photos and more information early in the year!

Thank you to Sheffield community members for supporting us with everything that we participate in within the community and thank you to every person and business who has donated financially or with their time to help us.

But while our group has had a successful year, we also had to admit defeat and split our group due to a lack of leaders. Our scout section is now aligned with Devonport.

I know I sound like a broken record, but we need leaders to continue functioning within the Kentish

Community. Please seriously consider becoming a leader, I can guarantee that you will not regret joining our scouting family as a leader. We would also love to resurrect our Joey section and run at full capacity again, so we have positions of Scout and Joey leaders available.

On a happier note, we hope that you had a beautiful Christmas surrounded by those whom you love and that you ate so much at Christmas lunch that you needed a nap!

- Tanya, Scout Chairperson 0438 559 317



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Evelyn Antonysen
Exhibiting from 4 Dec 2024 through to the end of January 2025. Evelyn's exhibition is entitled **'Chasing the Light'**.
Evelyn says that 'as a painter primarily of landscape and elements within the landscape, capturing the light is foremost in my mind. This exhibition will show works in several media using various techniques to portray the wonderfully varied Tasmanian atmosphere.'

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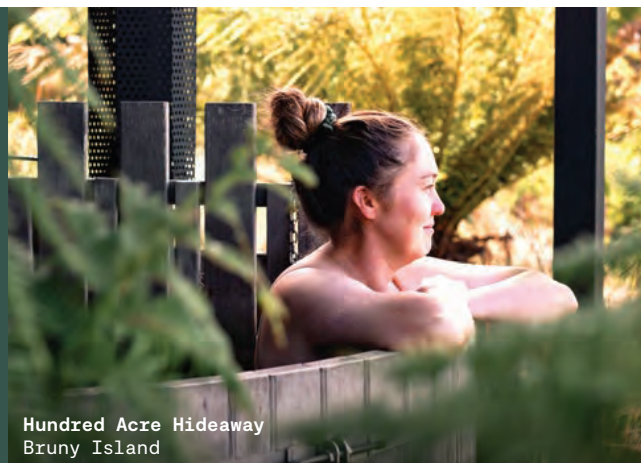
11th December @ 7pm
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M | 130 mins | 2023 | Italy | Comedy, Adventure
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12th February 2025 @ 7pm
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M | 164 mins | 2024 | Sweden Finland | Drama
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STAY

- A solar-powered getaway, Hundred Acre Hideaway provides mountainous panoramas, a timber hot tub and baskets of Bruny Island produce.
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Maydena Bike Park

PLAY

- Roll into Maydena Bike Park for world-class mountain biking in the Derwent Valley – from kid-friendly trails to mighty descents.
- Kayaking is easier downstream. Drift along the River Derwent on an educational Paddle with the Platypus Adventure in the evening.
- Tasmania's Most Haunted leads you on a Willow Court Asylum Ghost Tour, delving into more than 190 years of history.



Hobart and south

EVENTS

- Cheer on sports stars at the Hobart International tennis tournament (4–11 January), offering face painting and games for kids.
- The artsy Huon Valley comes alive with local, national and international artists at Cygnet Folk Festival (10–12 January).



2024 Hobart International
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Alchymia Distillery

EAT & DRINK

- Dip behind the scenes of Alchymia Distillery @ Table Cape with a small-batch spirits tour and tasting.
- Between wilderness adventures, wander over to Tullah Lakeside Lodge for alfresco restaurant dining amid man ferns and mountains.
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STAY

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West and north west

EVENTS

- Jig along to San Cisco and Jack River at the all-ages Good Gumnuts Festival (4–5 January) near Burnie.
- Sift through colourful crafts, preserves, plants and treats at the fortnightly Wynyard Foreshore Markets (5 and 19 January).



Good Gumnuts Festival



Bridestowe Lavender Estate

EAT & DRINK

- Pick fresh summer strawberries and raspberries at Hillwood Berries Farmgate. Bring the kids or savour the seasonal haul for yourself.
- Sip summer wines and snack on cheese at Stoney Rise Wine Company, perched above the idyllic kanamaluka / River Tamar.
- Ever tried lavender ice-cream? Taste various floral delicacies when the flowers bloom this January at Bridestowe Lavender Estate in Nabowla.

STAY

- Nothing soothes the post-bike-ride ache better than a soak in the tub at Hill Street Blue Derby group accommodation.
- Wake up slowly at Naivasha Tiny House, a picturesque escape in Reedy Marsh with a woodfired hot tub to boot.
- Shimmering seas and sunsets dance outside your window at Whitemark Foreshore Apartments in the natural playground of Flinders Island.



Hill Street Blue



Trout Territory Fly Fishing Tours

PLAY

- Ever leapt from a sweaty sauna into the cool water? Wellness, freedom and elation collide at Floating Sauna Lake Derby.
- From original whaleboats to elaborate replica vessels and seafarers' diaries, set sail for Bass and Flinders Maritime Museum in George Town this summer.
- Catch a live one on a guided adventure with Trout Territory Fly Fishing Tours – gear, guidance and good food provided.



Launceston and north

EVENTS

- Toe-tapping fiddles, banjos and vocals shine at Tamar Valley Folk Festival (17–19 January), featuring kids' events, workshops and concerts.
- Longford celebrates all things livestock at GoatFest Tasmania (26 January). Pat the animals, make goat-themed crafts and hear educational talks.



Tamar Valley Folk Festival



Boomer Creek

EAT & DRINK

- Sink into a beanbag with wine, cheese and views over Freycinet at the family-owned Boomer Creek Vineyard and Cellar Door.
- Head to the Farm Shed on Bicheno's main street for micro-brewed beers and coastal vibes at Bicheno Brewing.
- A coffee spot with a nautical twist, the Lifebuoy Cafe offers all-day breakfast, lunch and friendly hospitality in St Helens.

STAY

- Quite the spectacle is Lisdillon Estate, a mid-1800s cottage on a sheep farm with a private river and onsite vineyard.
- Soak in a tub under the stars, then sleep surrounded by tranquil bushland at Cherry Tree Hill in Applawn.
- Stay a while at Little Beach Co in Chain of Lagoons – glamping, villas, a sauna and a private coastline await.



Little Beach Co



Freycinet Adventures

PLAY

- Visiting Scamander? Hire stand-up paddleboards (SUPs), wetsuits and surfboards, or try surfing and SUP lessons with 42 South Surf School.
- From war memorial collections to historical pins and petticoats, East Coast Heritage Museum in Swansea is full of treasures.
- Go paddling with Freycinet Adventures on a family-friendly sea kayak tour, encountering spellbinding sea life and national park views.



East

EVENTS

- Shimmy into 2025 when Nadira and Friends play New Year's Day at Craigie Knowe: Jazz in the Vines (1 January).
- Music fills the air at Festival of Small Halls (16 January) when this summer folk tour comes to Swansea.



Craigie Knowe

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January Crozzle

All words go in a straight line but in any direction – Up, Down, Left, Right, Diagonal. Most words are joined to another word by at least one letter, so any letter may be used in more than one word. Circle the words in the graph as you find them and when all the words are circled, there will be letters left over. Write these in the spaces below to discover the Theme Word.

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CRYPTIC PUZZLE TASMANIA

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| 1. Thousands in drink (5) | 6. Rambling rose? (9) |
| 2. Angry native knees pal (10,4) | 7. Possibly a brier (6) |
| 3. Bailer out (6) | 8. Hybrid rose. 3 left (4,6) |
| 4. Effervescent froth (5) | 9. A gay flower? (6,5) |
| 5. Wild flower (6,6) | 10. Keeping term 'flower' (9,5) |

Culverts protect aquatic wildlife



Living in Kentish, we are blessed with plentiful water bodies and a rich diversity of

wildlife. Many landowners have dams and small creeks which are home to platypus (*Ornithorhynchus anatinus*) and perhaps Giant Freshwater Crayfish (*Astacopsis gouldi*).

Both these species have been seen crossing local roads, for reasons we can only speculate. In some situations, there are no culverts or bridges and in other cases there are culverts, but for a variety of reasons they are not accessible, or are not appealing, putting animals at risk of being run over.

Observations across Tasmania over many years have shown that platypus, in particular, seem to prefer to bypass culverts and cross the road instead, which means mortality on Tasmanian roads can be quite significant at a local level.

Populations of platypus occupying minor water courses are often small, with individuals foraging over large areas. Their home range can be up to 5km, and they have been reported to forage over several kilometres per day. This means these platypuses may have to negotiate several road crossings a day.

Examples of at-risk populations in our local area include Sheffield Road between Melrose and Roscrea Roads and near the Barrington Road turn off; and on Barrington Road, just east of the village.

A number of platypus have been run over at each of these locations.

Platypus usually cross roads at dawn or on dusk, and being dark in colour they can be very hard to see, making them vulnerable to passing traffic. There have been a number of deaths in our region this year, but there are things we can do. Be mindful when driving in areas with water bodies near the road and slow down at dusk and dawn.

Risks can also be higher around April to June when juveniles move out of home and go looking for a range of their own.

There are fewer recorded observations of giant freshwater crayfish crossing roads, and there is a dearth of research on the reasons they cross the road and how to mitigate risks from cars.

After a sighting of a giant freshwater crayfish on the road at Paradise, Mount Roland Land Care (MRLC) together



with Kentish Council, did some preliminary work with culvert modification to make it easier for crayfish to move through them. Subsequently MRLC successfully applied for a Landcare Australia Community Grant to build on

this early work. It is a very competitive grant program, so we are very excited to be able to build on our earlier work.

Our success highlights the importance of protecting this species, which is listed as vulnerable under both the Threatened Species Protection Act 1995 and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, and as endangered under the International Union for Conservation of Nature's Red List of Threatened Species.

This work is complementary to work being carried out by Cradle Coast NRM with landholders along the Dasher River and tributaries to restore crayfish habitat.

The aims of the MRLC project are to demonstrate ways of remediating existing culverts so they are accessible to giant freshwater crayfish (and possibly other aquatic species, including platypus); and to develop guidelines for the installation of new culverts.

In other news MRLC will be holding two seed-collecting workshops in January with younger people in mind. We are also getting ready to plant 2000 trees in 2025 as part of our 'Thousands of Trees' project and will be looking for volunteers to help with this on weekends in autumn and again in spring.

On the weekend of January 18-19, we will be holding seed collection workshops. For further information, please contact secretary@mountrolandlandcare.org.au

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Pollies pedal 300km for diabetes

By Guy Barnett

The Diabetes Australia PolliePedal '25 in Tasmania is scheduled for Friday, February 28, through to Sunday, March 2.

This year's ride is northern based, riding through the stunning Meander and Tamar valleys and the Northern Midlands and surrounds, concluding at Entally House, Hadspen.

Since 2006, I've been proud to support Diabetes Australia in Tasmania, both as a former Senator and now as Deputy Premier. Working together, we've raised more than \$850,000 and cycled thousands of kilometres to raise awareness and funds for Tasmanians living with diabetes, their families and those at risk.

Living with Type 1 diabetes myself, and as an Ambassador for Diabetes Australia, I'm passionate about continuing this important work to help others in our community.

You can find out everything you need to know on the Pollie Pedal website: [PolliePedal'25 | HomePage](#).

If you would like to support me raise funds for Diabetes Australia, my fundraising page can be found at [PolliePedal'25 | Guy Barnett's Fundraiser](#).

For more information, please call the PolliePedal team on 1800 177 055 or PolliePedal@diabetesaustralia.com.au

All funds raised go towards educational programs, resources, advocacy, family days and more. Registration includes nightly accommodation and full catering.



Ladybirds and hoverflies do their jobs

Robert's Gardening Tips

I had a friend drop in and we were having a look at my garden, talking about how the garden and weeds have gone crazy with all the rain and warm weather.

This year I have been allowing more time for my garden, determined to make inroads, especially in the vegetable patch.

I had planted potatoes, and they are still doing well, haven't had to water. I also planted 200 strawberry plants and have managed to keep on top of the weeds with them, so have had some wins.

But, where the grass has grown, I need a ladder to climb up to look over it, expecting to see gorillas. Luckily not.

I went to the shed to get the brushcutter and saw the chainsaw close by, mmmm. Would the chainsaw be better? Maybe not.

After using the brushcutter to cut my way into the forest walk, I was amazed to see all the growth to the native plants I put in over autumn. That made me smile, "Good".

I'm sure I'm not the only one in this position. The risk always is that the long grass can dry out, so I'm working around the property where the grass can be cut down to reduce the risk of fire.

The one part of the garden that is doing well, and I have managed to stay on top of, is the rose garden.

Earlier in September, when all the roses were starting to put on growth, I had a massive infestation of aphids. Usually I don't get a lot because I have a lot of plants that attract beneficial insects, so they tend to keep them under control.

This year was different. A couple of times I was tempted to spray Pyrethrum, but there were always lots of hoverflies and ladybirds around, so I didn't.

By late October, all the aphids were gone, the hoverflies and ladybirds had done their job, after all, everything was in place to attract them.

Every season has its own challenges and with the rain and warm weather, it's not just the weeds that are growing. This is also the conditions for pests to infest your garden, so as I get on top of weeding the garden beds, I will also be topping up the mulch to stop the cycle of weeds and pests.

Happy Gardening!

- Robert Gower

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ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

By Geoffrey Curtis

We are entering the New Year with 'Environmental Corner' which has served the community these past few years with topics ranging from Adaption, Biodiversity, Climate Change, Ethics, Recycling, and much more.

My aim is to be informative, interesting, diverse, probing, and controversial when necessary and to give readers insight into local, regional, national, and global topics. If it causes conversation around the kitchen table or over a cup of coffee, all well and good. It is all part of our social education. You may not agree with me but some articles may resonate with some of you and prompt further investigation.

There has been quite a lot of academic research into the anxiety and suffering some people have over Anthropogenic Climate Change. This upsets me because tens of thousands of adults and young children feel they have little or no recourse to save our precious planet. Instead, many worry and feel isolated and abandoned. You may be one of these caring individuals, and I want to reassure you that I understand your concerns.

There are several research articles on this subject, including <https://www.thelancet.com> 'Climate anxiety in children and young adults' and <https://www.Sciencedirect.com/science> 'Climate anxiety, wellbeing, and pro-environmental action'.

For those of you who have concerns over use of plastics, from grocery bags to car seats, look no further than our oceans (*right*). Since the 1950s, more than 8bn plastics have been produced of which 10-15m has ended up in marine environments. Recently the fifth 'Intergovernmental Negotiation Committee (INC-5) on plastic pollution took place in Busan, South Korea to try and develop a mandatory treaty with plastics. The aim was not to stop using plastic (impossible in today's consumer society) but rather to reduce the amount and determine where it ends up once discarded.

As one journalist put it, the biggest producers of plastics hijacked the whole meeting with little being achieved. Read more in-depth from the HDS Earth Negotiations Bulletin Summary Report website <https://enb.iisd.org>

Endeavoring to show some positive outcomes by looking after living organisms on our planet can be difficult as many of us know. Passing several of our vineyards recently, I wondered why they were using pesticides in between the grape-growing

rows. Many farmers, including one of our largest horticultural producers locally, have been trialing the more environmentally friendly 'companion planting' method. In simple terms, they deliberately plant one or more 'sacrificial plants' that repel insects (one method is the aroma given off) from the main crop such as strawberry or broccoli, thus saving the food source, the soil, and money spent on insecticide spray.

In recognition of the invisible heroes, thank you! These are the hidden people who walk the trails, walk the streets, walk the alley-ways, and wander the countryside in their own time, picking up the litter that gets thrown out of vehicles or blown from a building.

Councils cannot be expected to do all the litter pick up.

Finally, there are two Tasmanian environmentalists of the year. Congratulations to Sam Elsom the founder of 'Sea Forest' which uses seaweed to reduce methane emissions from cows. This is a vital step forward in the food cycle by lowering CO2 greenhouse gasses. And congratulations to Jim Everett-puralia meenewmatta in recognition of his outstanding decades of environmental activism to protect endangered species habitats.



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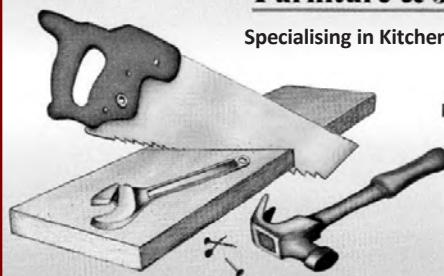
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Disaster response plans build resilience

Biodiversity and agricultural assets will be better equipped to respond to and recover from extreme weather events and biosecurity threats following the release of comprehensive emergency management plans by Tasmania's three Natural Resource Management (NRM) bodies.

At the request of the Australian Government, NRM North, NRM South and Cradle Coast NRM have each prepared Biodiversity and Agricultural Natural Capital Emergency Preparedness, Response and Recovery Plans.

Tailored to each of Tasmania's NRM regions, the plans are the first of their kind and were developed with extensive stakeholder and expert input.

The plans aim to enhance resilience and safeguard natural assets in the event of emergencies such as floods and bushfires, and cases where flora and fauna are faced with threats to biosecurity.

The plans identify areas for action, knowledge and information gaps, and opportunities to enhance stakeholder collaboration. By identifying and assessing risks to priority biodiversity and agricultural assets within each region, the plans will strengthen stakeholder capabilities, capacity building, and strategic actions, alongside existing emergency management and recovery frameworks.

NRM South CEO Nepelle Crane said the plans are comprehensive in their long-term approach to natural disasters. "Through these plans, our long-term goal is to ensure that

natural value priorities are part of all stages of emergency management (planning, response and recovery) along with human safety and infrastructure."

NRM North Acting CEO Jenni Kew said the strategic plans consider not only the environmental impact of extreme weather events and biosecurity threats, but the financial liability as well.

"Investing in robust emergency preparedness frameworks not only enhances the resilience of Tasmania's valuable ecosystems, but also lowers long-term recovery and restoration costs, which strengthens regional economies, particularly in the tourism and agriculture sectors," she said.

Cradle Coast NRM Manager Bonnie Bonneville said the plans will help safeguard the region's natural and agricultural assets.

"These plans aim to mitigate the risk and minimise the damage to our region's biodiversity assets and agricultural landscapes so they can recover quickly and sustainably from natural disasters," she said.

"Collaboration across all stakeholders has been key to their development."

NRM South, NRM North and Cradle Coast NRM would like to thank the stakeholders who supported the development of the plans and look forward to progressing strategic work stemming from the plans in the future.

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Early Pioneers along Beulah Road

After leaving the Kentish Bridle Track corner, Beulah Rd brings you firstly to the Dasher River where a lot of prospecting for gold took place. **Thomas & Harriett Redford**, later **Herb & Millie Oliver** lived there. **Vern Frankcombe** had a sawmill here, followed by **Wayne Weeks**. Part way up the Dasher hill is the entrance to The Gates to Heaven, an idyllic bush retreat catering for self-contained caravans and motor homes.

250 Beulah Rd

The first families to settle here around 1900 were **James & Mary Fidler** from Harford with their married sons **James Jrn & Joseph Fidler**. They farmed the area for over 30 years, losing two houses to fire and a draught horse that fell down a mining shaft. In 1946 **Kit & Irene Frankcombe** with sons **Fred, Tom & Ian** built their house from cement bricks made from nearby gravel pits. Kit served on the Kentish Council for some years. Son **Ian & Florence Frankcombe** followed his father on the farm, while grandson **George & Michelle Frankcombe** built up the road at 285 Beulah Rd.

413 Beulah Rd Pioneer settlers **William & Mary Ann (Dalrymple) Walker** took up 320 acres around 1878 and built their home Beulah Heights. Sadly, Mary Ann Walker and four of their seven children died of TB, causing Wm Walker to burn the house down and build another. **Joseph & Sarah Hodgkinson** farmed the property until 1933, followed by son **Frank & Ada Hodgkinson**. Next was **Peter & Marie Davenport**, then in 1977 schoolteachers **Rupert & Anne French** until 2021. A 120 acre farm was subdivided off Walker's property to become 435 Beulah Rd, owned by **Olivers, Jeffries, Spillanes** and since 1993 **Lawrence & Gill Appleby**.

West of Walkers were the properties of their Christian Brethren friends (the **Austins, Cracks, Does, Eaglings, Ferrars and Knowles**) who about 1877/78 pioneered this new district they called Beulah. On **John & Albert Austins**'s property they erected a small gospel hall/school which served their needs for 30 years. Another of Austin Bros's paddocks became their North Beulah Cricket ground, where the first competitive cricket match was played against South Sunnyside on 30 Nov 1889. Over the following decades, these North Beulah pioneers experienced a problem we see repeated time and time again throughout the Beulah community - a general exodus of Beulah families to better farms closer to markets. When the group's leader **James Knowles** died in 1899, of his eight sons, only the oldest **John & wife Mary** remained in Beulah. After their 'Gospel Hall' was hauled to Paradise in 1916, John continued their church fellowship in his home until 1921 when his family also moved away.

From Beulah Heights corner, the original Beulah Rd ran westward along the northern boundary of Wm Walker's property, continuing along the present Golden Gate Rd to the corner of John Austin's property. There it turned south and ran down his western boundary, through Ferrar's farm to the future township of Beulah. This section of road contained a notoriously steep decline, up which farmers found it almost impossible to haul their produce to market. So a deviation road was constructed in 1889 from the end of Walkers property, diagonally down across the Austin and Ferrars properties with a more gradual decline direct to the Beulah township.

494 Beulah Rd

John & Albert Austin sold this property in 1903 to **Charles & Alice Kelly** who built their Hilltop house halfway along

this new deviation road. The farm was purchased by **Edis & Elizabeth Sharman**, followed by son **Eric & Beatrice Sharman**. Last occupant was well-known and intelligent Beulah identity **Colin Sharman** (1910-1997) who wore an eye patch after being blinded in one eye by cricket ball when he was 15. His mother **Louisa Sharman** was a nurse at the Mersey General Hospital and confirmed to her family, Colin's father was Dr Walpole. The property is now owned by Lawrence & Gill Appleby's son-in-law **Mark Chopping**.

633 Beulah Rd

After marrying in 1890, **Richard & Eliza (Webb) Dawkins** settled on this property with his widowed mother **Catherine Dawkins**. Richard's brother **David Dawkins** and his sister **Martha (Mrs Joseph Spillane)** both settled on nearby properties. Richard lived all his life at Beulah, had nine children and died in September 1938 in his 70th year.

Beulah Township

The first Beulah Road Trust was formed in 1890, comprising **Thomas Jessop** (chairman) **Ed (Ted) Sharman, Edward Anderson, George Stephens** and **John Cooper**. For the first 10 years they met at Clara Sharman's PO at Lower Beulah. But in 1900 after a public hall was built in the township, they moved their monthly meeting there. The Beulah Road Trust continued until the new Kentish Municipal Council was formed on 1 Jan 1908.

State School: In 1893 the government promised the Beulah people a proper school with teacher's residence. Nothing was done until 1896 when **Gideon Robson** of Sheffield erected a temporary 18ft x 22ft weatherboard building which proved to be totally inadequate. Four years later in 1900 a substantial school teacher's residence was erected by Devonport builder **George Levy** but still no permanent school. Finally, **C Adams & Sons** built the new long-awaited school for £187 which opened 5 Aug 1907.

This school served the community for over 30 years before closing in Dec 1941 after which all Beulah children were bussed to the new Sheffield area school. Later the Beulah school itself was also relocated to Sheffield. The only building remaining on site was the multi-chimneyed schoolhouse, where its most illustrious school-teacher occupant **Joseph Lyons**, later Prime Minister of Australia, lived in 1909.

When Eric Sharman was appointed school-bus driver to Sheffield, he & wife Beatrice Sharman with **Rex, Chloris, Baden & Geraldine** moved there; the Government selling them the old schoolhouse in 1954. **Baden Sharman** played 28 years of Coastal A Grade Cricket, including 18 years as captain/coach of Sheffield, Railton, Latrobe, and 14 games for Tasmania against interstate and international cricket teams.

Memorial Hall: The first public hall built by **James Cooper** was officially opened in Nov 1900. Fifty years later, Beulah's new Memorial Hall replaced it in Sept 1950 with a gala ball and the unveiling of the soldier's memorial plaque listing 30 local names. Built by **George McCarthy** and son **Ernie**, it cost about £1200.

Beulah became one of the first districts in the whole of Tasmania to complete their local war memorial. Inside this building in Jan 1954, they switched on the electricity for Beulah district. In March 1962, the Hall was burnt down by a Beulah resident apparently because his wife enjoyed attending the dances, but he didn't. The present hall was built by **George Mansell** and opened 8 September 1967.

d shape district's future

By Alan F Dyer

Beulah PO & Shops: In 1903 a committee was formed to have the Beulah PO removed from Mrs Clara Sharman's remote location to a more central position where most people now lived. Under the existing system, mail was brought from the Dunorlan railway station to Mrs Sharman PO where twice a week she sent one mailbag four miles further on to Beulah State School where **Miss Alice Agar** distributed it. The new alternative was to establish a Post Office in the Beulah township and get daily deliveries from Railton. On 1 Jun 1904, five months after **Ed (Ted) & Alice Best** opened their Beulah shop opposite the school, the new Beulah PO was established in their shop and Mrs Clara Sharman's original PO was recommissioned as the Lower Beulah PO. Beulah postmistresses were Alice Best to March 1933, **Myrtle Febey** to June 1967, **Thelma Bramich** to Dec 1978, **Judith Winwood** until it closed 31 Jul 1975. A telephone service to Beulah was installed in 1911. Myrtle's husband **Bert Febey** had lost his left leg, left arm and all but a thumb and one finger on his other hand in a quarry blasting accident in 1932. Not only did he maintain the mail run to Sheffield but served as JP.

Churches: Beulah's St Matthews Anglican Church was dedicated by **Bishop Mercer** in Sept 1904. A 40ftx25ft weatherboard structure, it was built next to the state school, on land generously given by **Wm Richardson**. It lasted 40 years. The second Anglican church opened 6 April 1944 after the congregation purchased the Beulah Baptist church. Again, it was dedicated as St Matthews in June 1949 and closed in Nov 1998 when the building moved to Lenna at Forth. Earlier the Beulah Baptist church had also been built on land given by Wm Richardson and opened by **Rev Britton** in Dec 1913. Closed in 1944, its seats, organ and pulpit were given to the new Paradise Baptist church after the previous church was destroyed by fire.

Settlers close to Beulah Township

In 1888 several sons of **Henry & Emma Cooper** from Lowes Bridge's PO became pioneer settlers adjacent to the future Beulah township. **John & wife Elizabeth** bought the first horse drawn vehicle to Beulah; James built their first public hall. John & James served on the Beulah Road Trust. 'Cooper's track' that connected Beulah with Lower Beulah Rd was later renamed Beulah Back Rd. This property was bought by **Wm & Emma Richardson** and called Brookhead. He bought the first steam engine to Beulah and hired the first gang of harvesters. In 1910 Richardson bought the first motor car, a 20-hp Ford in Beulah. He sold out in April 1948. After farming there **David Rayner** sold the property for tree plantation, but kept the house, in which **Paul Rayner, Jock Morgan & Laurie Kingshott** have lived.

Daveys Rd (originally McCarthys Rd)

James & Alice McCarthy came from Dunorlan about 1888 and raised their nine children at the end of this road, where a rough track continued down to Duck Marsh becoming the shortest walking distance to Sheffield. Active in the Beulah Road Trust, James McCarthy died 1911, Alice in 1917. Renamed Daveys Rd after **Wm & Frances Davey** with son **Charles** farmed on the north side of the road. **Ernie Hirt** P/L purchased several properties between Davey Rd and Golden Gate Rd, built the house where **Allen & Win Furley** lived, then sold it all out for plantation timber.

Joseph & Martha (Dawkins) Spillane settled on the southern side of Davey Road about 1897 where they raised 11 children.

Martha was Beulah's midwife, then from 1912 Martha Spillane ran a maternity hospital at 123 Main St Sheffield, before moving to Wilmot in 1917. **Lambert Spillane** took over his father's Beulah farm, with wife **Emily Spillane** the next local midwife. In May 1950 **Arn & Effie Freeman** from Mathinna purchased the property.

Beulah Rd- south of the township

Shortly after the Minnow gold rush, several large bush blocks were purchased by wealthy investors. **George Ingram**'s long 320-acre block ran down the western side of Beulah Rd to Jacksons Rd corner. Eventually subdivided, the township corner block was bought by **Bert & Myrtle Febey**; later **Des & Mavis Ruttle** built a new house there. South of them, 702 Beulah Rd was owned by **John Walker, Les Brumby** and currently **Tony Spillane**. Around the corner, on the northern side **Kerry Rayner** owned Willowdene at 788 & 810 Beulah Rd, and at 852 **Brian Caldicutt** had his Earlsfield property.

Jacksons Rd was originally the route for northern miners coming to the Minnow gold fields. It was named Jacksons Rd when **Eric & Gloria Jackson** resided up this road.

789 & 855 Beulah Rd

The 322-acre estate of **Henry Bloch** (Launceston) was purchased by **David & Mary (Webb) Dawkins** and named Pine Lane, with hill at rear of their property named Dawkins Hill. David & Mary had 15 sons & 4 daughters. In the 1930s these Dawkins sons formed their own Cricket team. Son **Lewis** took 100 wickets in 1930 season. Lewis eventually bought 789 Beulah Rd, while his bachelor brother **George Dawkins** owned 855 Beulah Rd. George was once taken to Mersey Hospital, where the nurse asked: 'Do you have pyjamas, Mr Dawkins?' 'No' he replied 'I have appendicitis'.

In the late 1960s three Spillane brothers bought three prime properties along Beulah Rd. **Tony** bought 702, **Neil** bought 789, and **Robin** Spillane bought 855. As schoolboys they clearly remember their father **Levick** buying his first Massey-Ferguson tractor. This sparked in them a life-long passion to collect tractors. Beside their father's original one, today they are proud owners of 10 red well-preserved Fergie tractors.

902 Beulah Rd

German immigrant **Rudolph Wacksmuth** from Launceston named his 320a property Roland Park developing it as 30-cow dairy farm and sheep stud. About 1898 he sold out to **Sam & Martha Oliver**'s sons. Eldest son **Arthur Oliver** who served on the Beulah Road Trust d1946. In 1953 **Laurie & Rita Appleby** began leasing Roland Park, plus 80acres on the southside of Beulah Rd. For many years Laurie served as Kentish councilor and member of the Roland Lodge. Then purchased by **Kevin & Terri Appleby**, afterwards **Rodney Green**.

964 & 986 Beulah Rd

Son of a butcher, **William Moore** sold meat, dairy food and sly grog to the miners. Later owners were **Les Leonard, Eric Gardam** and **Tom & Mavis Gardam**. About 1885 **George & Mary Ann Stephens** from London purchased **Thomas Clement**'s property and established his Clyro dairy farm. George was elected to the first Beulah Road Trust in 1890. Son **William Stephens**, made JP in 1905, developed the Clyro Poultry Farm, with 600/700 head of poultry. Post WW2 **Alex Best** had his sawmill at the Minnow River.

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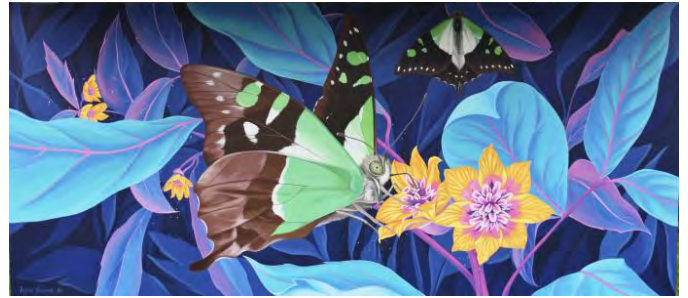
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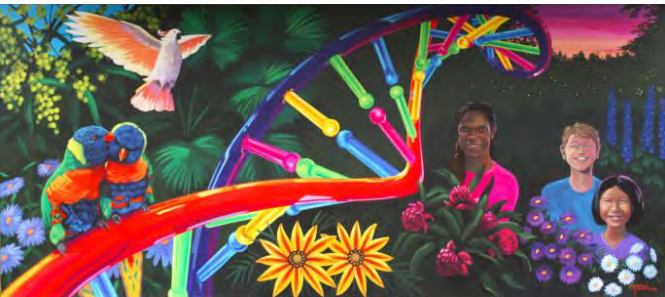
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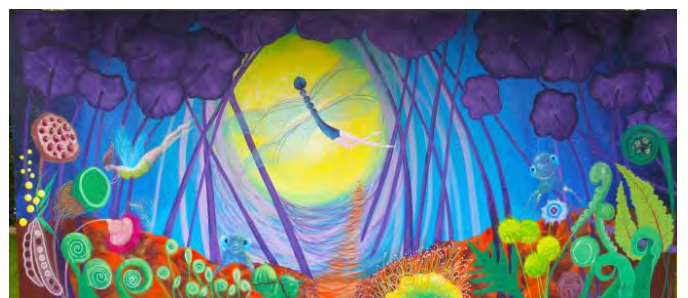
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Dairy Australia farewells managing director



After seven years with Dairy Australia, David Nation has made the decision to move on from his role as Managing Director and will finish in June 2025.

With Dairy Australia's current five-year Strategic Plan concluding and a new strategy commencing in July, Dr Nation sees this as an opportunity to leave the organisation in a strong position for a future leader.

"Leading Dairy Australia has been an immense privilege, and I am proud of what I have achieved together with outstanding people in the organisation who show genuine passion for delivering outcomes for farmers each day," Dr Nation said.

"There are many stand out achievements that I will reflect on fondly, from expanding our presence in the regions and improving our connection with farmers through to strengthening our domestic and export markets."

Dairy Australia Chair Paul Roderick congratulated Dr Nation on his achievements and acknowledged his contributions during his time as Managing Director.

"David's leadership combined with his deep knowledge and understanding of dairy research and innovation has been a major contributor to the Australian dairy industry," Mr Roderick said.

Dr Nation joined Dairy Australia in 2018 with extensive experience across the dairy industry, including serving as Co-Director of DairyBio and DairyFeedbase and Chief Executive Officer at Dairy Futures CRC.

Freight inquiry finds subsidies ‘complex’

Tasmania's peak body for primary producers, TasFarmers welcomes the Federal Government's Senate's Select Committee Report on the Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme and its recommendations.

Independent Senator Tammy Tyrell announced the completion of the committee's review, which highlights the scheme as ineffective and a deterrent to business investment in the state.

TasFarmers CEO Nathan Calman said that TasFarmers applauds the committee for completing the inquiry within just a few months, conducting multiple hearings across the state, and delivering clear and actionable recommendations for the government.

"This review gives us a pathway ahead of the federal election and this should be on the Christmas wish list of every Tasmanian primary producer," Mr Calman said.

"The review acknowledges what we have been saying for some time, that the original policy intent of the existing scheme is not currently delivering the intended outcomes."

He said the scheme was originally designed to offset the cost of crossing the Bass Strait, ensuring that Tasmanian producers are not disadvantaged.

"So that the expense of transporting goods to mainland markets

remains comparable or no different to putting the same goods on a truck and driving down the national highway," he said.

"The committee has truly listened to the industry and carefully considered the body of evidence presented. It was made overwhelmingly clear that while the current scheme is important, it is not effectively bridging the gap.

The review acknowledged that a significant part of the problem lies in the scheme's complexity and the challenges associated with making claims, which have led to it being underutilised.

"For the scheme to be effective, it must be straightforward enough for first-time users to easily make a claim. Currently, the process is so complex that producers often need to hire external support just to submit a single claim. As a result, many are not utilising the scheme in its current form."

'Current scheme not bridging the gap.'

TasFarmers is advocating as part of its federal election platform that further funding be made available as a result of the recommendations and that they be funded in the next federal budget in a bipartisan way.

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WHAT'S ON IN JANUARY

	Chasing the Light by Evelyn Antonysen, Sheffield Art Gallery
Jan 6	The Hub re-opens
Jan 6-10	Try a Harp free workshop, Sheffield Town Hall (see page 3)
Jan 9	Kentish Garden Club 7.30pm, Bible Chapel, 45 High Street, Sheffield
Jan 12	Sheffield Cricket Club 1st grade semi-final v Riverside @ Riverside
Jan 14	Kentish Probus Club 10am, Sheffield Bowls Club
Jan 17	Kids Movie Party 10.30am, Kentish House, 5 Austin Place, Sheffield
	Last Drinks , Railton Hotel
Jan 18, 19	Seed Collection workshop , Mount Roland Land Care (see P23)
Jan 19	Harp Concert 2pm, Sheffield Town Hall (see page 18)
Jan 20	Cricket - Australian U19 championship , WA v ACT, Spring Street, Sheffield
Jan 21	Kentish Council meeting 6pm, Council Office, High Street, Sheffield
Jan 22	Watercolour Battle 12.30pm, Goliath Skate Park, Ennis Avenue, Railton
Jan 26	Australia Day Awards , 8-10.30am Breakfast, Sheffield Town Hall
Jan 27-Feb 5	Steam Engine rides 11am-4pm, Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre, 14 Spring Street
Jan 30	Water Battle 10.30-12.30, Kentish House, 5 Austin Place, Sheffield
Jan 31	Capital Works Submissions close (see page 29)
	AED Grants Submissions close (see page 8)
Jan 31-Feb 2	Tasmanian Mountain Cattlemen's Association annual get-together Gowrie Park

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Feb 1, 02	FlowerFest , Sheffield Town Hall
Feb 2	Glenleigh Shield Kentish Pony & Hack Club, Spring Street, Sheffield
Feb 3	Sheffield RSL Sub-branch Annual General Meeting, 7pm, RSL Club
Feb 5	Services Australia 9.30-11am Sheffield; 12-12.3pm Railton
Feb 7	Men's Pizza Night 6.30pm
	Neighbours Every Day grants Submissions close (see page 6)
Feb 15	Claude Road Garage Sale

Cryptic Puzzle Answers

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| 1. Temma | 6. Rosevears |
| 2. Valentines Peak | 7. Erriba |
| 3. Relbia | 8. Port Sorell |
| 4. Forth | 9. Blythe River |
| 5. Savage River | 10. Detention River |

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